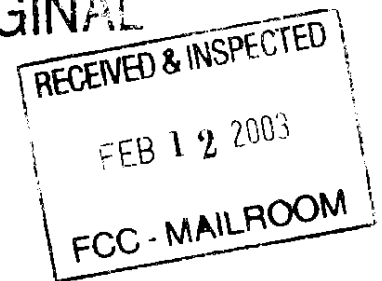


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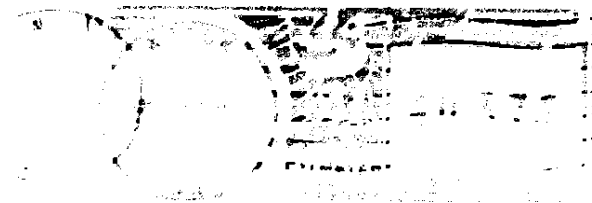
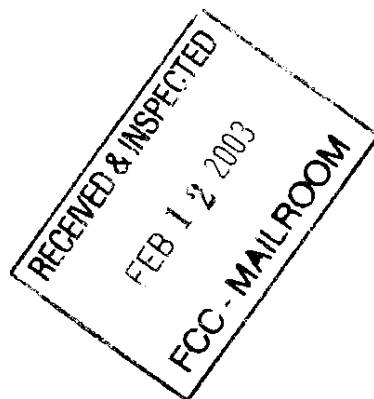
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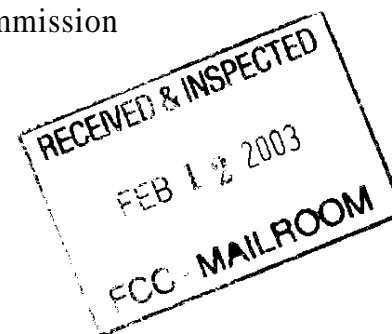
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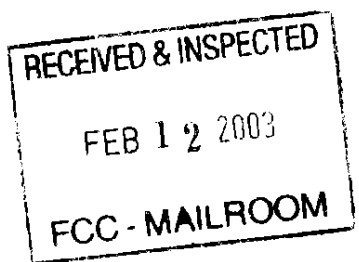


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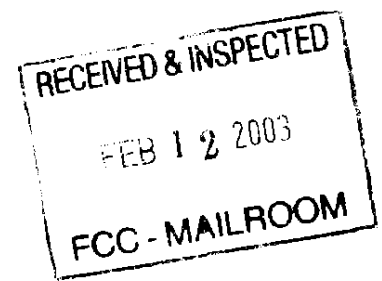
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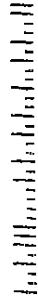
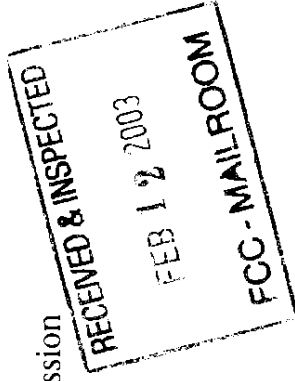
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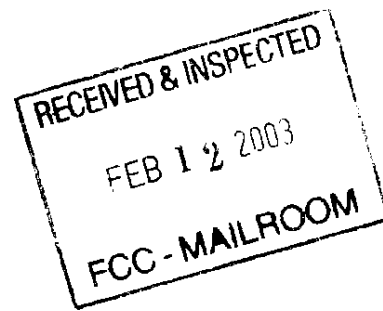
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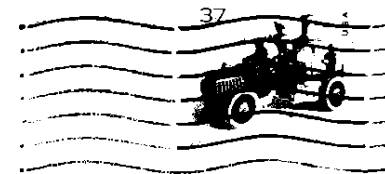
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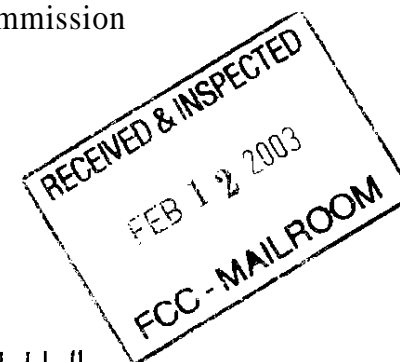
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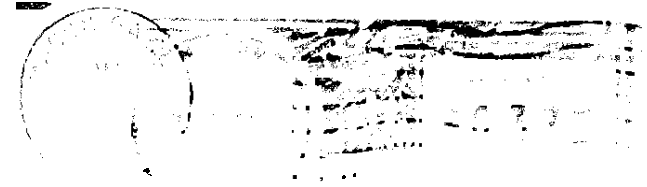
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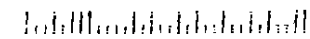
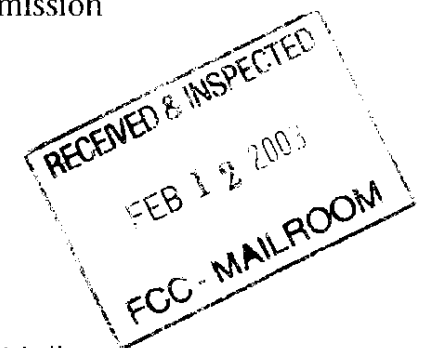


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February 3, 2003

Mr. Michael K. Powell

Chairman

Federal Communications Commission

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Washington DC 20554

Dear Mr. Powell:

We are writing to urge you and your colleagues *not* to eliminate the unbundled network element platform (UNE-P) rules.

We founded Vern Associates in 1994 to work as an adjunct to the publishing industry. We now develop, edit, design, and produce publications for nonprofit organizations, museums, and corporate clients. Telephone and fax communication is crucial to business development and performance of our services.

If the Federal Communications Commission relaxes the rules that presently require incumbent local-exchange carriers to permit use of aspects of their systems such as switches, we will lose one of the few operating-cost advantages that have developed over the life of our company.

Vern Associates uses two telephone lines, one dedicated fax line, and long-distance services. From the company's inception through July 2000, we paid three separate bills per month to Bell Atlantic, as we did to Verizon, once it subsumed Bell Atlantic. We also paid two long-distance bills.

In September 2001, we rolled billing for all three lines plus long distance into one by signing up with ICom, Inc., which has exactly the kind of arrangement with Verizon that the Federal Communications Commission is considering ending.

As a two-person corporation, the bookkeeping involved in paying five invoices per month required more time than you might expect. But much more important is the cost benefit we have enjoyed since beginning use of ICom. On average, our monthly bill for all services is \$122.00, compared with \$186.00 during fiscal years 1999-2001. Saving \$64.00 each month is a big help to us, as it would be for thousands of other Boston-area businesses.

Finally, now that Verizon is no longer "the only game in town," service has improved immeasurably. ICom is a well-run, efficient business that emphasizes customer service. In addition, the competition has resulted in a great improvement in the line service Verizon now provides. Competition has been good for

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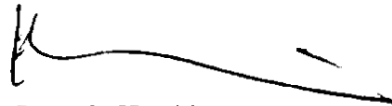
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Thank you ~~For~~ your attention.

Sincerely,



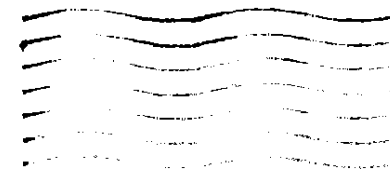
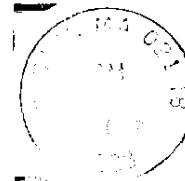
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